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Dear Prof. Lederberg:

You may have heard of the symposium concerning methods of maintenance of cultures which was on the program of the 55th meeting of the Society of American Bacteriologists. In a conversation with Dr. F. A. Weiss concerning some of the methods described by the participants, he mentioned that you had been successful in preserving cultures by drying them on silica gel. This sounds like a very simple process, and we will appreciate it if you can send us a brief description of the technique and a summary of your experience.

Sincerely,



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